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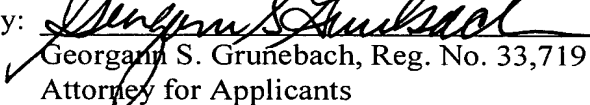
Dear Sir:

It is requested that the three-month shortened statutory period in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action for the above-identified patent application dated November 10, 2003, be extended for a period of one month from February 10, 2004 to March 10, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation in the amount of \$110.00 to cover this Request for an Extension of Time. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Although it is believed that only a one month extension of time is needed, Applicants provisionally petition for any additional extension of time that may be required. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0383 for any required additional fees.

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